CLAIM ADMENDMENTS:

1-5. (canceled)

6. (previously presented)   A lock lever device according to claim 9,
wherein the locking lever includes an output lever; and the linkage includes an
intermediate rocking lever link responding to the rocking stroke of the locking
lever, and a link rod for transmitting motion from the intermediate rocking
lever link to the control selector lever, and

the linkage further includes a mechanism engaging the output lever of
the locking lever for pulling or pushing the intermediate rocking lever link
between the midway point of the rocking stroke and the second endpoint of the
rocking stroke of the locking lever and for idling motion of the intermediate
rocking lever link between the midway point of the rocking stroke and the first
endpoint of the rocking stroke of the locking lever.

7. (previously presented)   A lock lever device according to claim 6,
wherein the mechanism includes a cam pin mounted on the output lever of the
locking lever, and an arcuate cam groove formed in the intermediate rocking
lever link, the arcuate cam groove receiving and guiding the cam pin of the
output lever of the locking lever, and

the arcuate cam groove including an action transmitting cam groove
portion corresponding to the rocking stroke of the output lever of the locking

lever for transmitting the pulling or pushing action to the intermediate rocking lever link, and an inaction transmitting cam groove portion corresponding to the rocking stroke of the output lever of the locking lever for transmitting no motion to the intermediate rocking lever link.

8. (previously presented)   A lock lever device according to claim 7, wherein the locking lever includes a toggle spring for biasing rocking action along the action transmitting cam groove portion and the inaction transmitting cam groove portion in opposite rocking directions from an intermediate position of the arcuate cam groove.

9. (currently amended)   A lock lever device for a working implement drive control system of a construction machine vehicle, the construction machine vehicle comprising a driver's seat and a passageway for an operator of the vehicle arranged between the driver's seat and an exit from the construction machine vehicle; and the lock lever device comprising a locking lever being located adjacent to the passageway to the driver's seat, a control selector lever switching the working implement drive control system between controllable and uncontrollable states by operating the locking lever, and a linkage that links the locking lever and the control selector lever together;

the locking lever blocking operator passage through the passageway when switched to the controllable state and permitting operator passage through the passageway when switched to the uncontrollable state;

the locking lever ~~and the linkage~~ providing a rocking stroke for operating the locking lever along an arched path between a first endpoint and a second endpoint and through a midway position located between the first and second endpoints;

the linkage placing the control selector lever in the controllable state at the first endpoint and <u>from the first endpoint to</u> the midway position of the arched path of the locking lever; and the linkage idling the ~~control selector~~ <u>locking</u> lever from the midway position to the second endpoint point ~~of the arched path of the locking lever~~, so that the control selector lever is in the uncontrollable state in the midway position and from the midway position to the second endpoint of the arched path of the locking lever.

10. (previously presented)   A lock lever device according to claim 9, wherein the control selector lever switches a pilot circuit of the working implement drive control system between the controllable and uncontrollable states by operating the locking lever.

11. (previously presented)   A lock lever device according to claim 9, wherein the linkage directly and independently links the locking lever and the control selector lever together.